

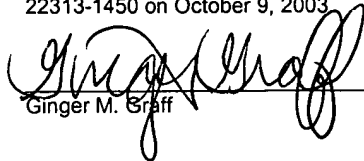
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**SUBMISSION FOR REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

In response to the Examiner's Answer to Applicant's Appeal Brief, dated May 1, 2003, in the above-identified application, Applicant hereby requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114, and amends the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.